BEFORE '

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NOS. 1999-347-C and 2000-167-C - ORDER NO. 2003-282

APRIL 24, 2003

IN RE:	Docket No. 1999-347-C - Application of)	ORDER CANCELLING
	Meridian Telecommunications, Inc. for a)	CERTIFICATES
	Certificate of Public Convenience and)	
	Necessity to Provide Interexchange)	
	Telecommunications Services and for)	
	Alternative Regulation.)	
	and)	
	Docket No. 2000-167-C – Application of)	
	Meridian Telecommunications, Inc. for a)	
	Certificate of Public Convenience and)	
	Necessity to Provide Local Exchange)	
	Telecommunications Services and for Flexible)	
	Regulatory Treatment.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the request of Meridian Telecommunications, Inc. ("Meridian" or the "Company") to cancel its Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide long distance telecommunications services and local exchange telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina.

By letter dated April 9, 2003, Meridian, through its President, advised the Commission that the Company was requesting cancellation of its Certificates to operate as both a reseller of interexchange telecommunications services and a provider of local exchange telecommunications services in the State of South Carolina. According to Meridian, cancellation of its Certificates will in no way affect any customers in South Carolina.

Meridian was granted authority to provide resold intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the State of South Carolina and alternative regulation of its services by Commission Order No. 2000-0093, issued February 15, 2000, in Docket No. 1999-347-C. Subsequently by Order No.2000-610, dated July 26, 2000, in Docket No. 2000-167-C, Meridian was granted authority to provide local exchange telecommunications services in the State of South Carolina and flexible regulation of these services.

As Meridian, by its request, seeks to cancel its Certificates and by its assertion that no South Carolina customers will be affected, the Commission finds and concludes that Meridian's Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina should be cancelled.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide resold interexchange telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina authorized by Order No. 2000-0093, dated February 15, 2000, and the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide local exchange telecommunications services, in Order No. 2000-610, dated July 26, 2000, issued in the instant dockets to Meridian Telecommunications, Inc. are hereby cancelled.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the 2. Commission.

Mignor L. Clyburn, Chairman

ATTEST:

Gary E. Walsh, Executive Director (SEAL)